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2. "The head offices of CSPL are located at Masarykova 4, Prague I.

General Manager - [fnu] Cafourek

Personnel officers - Jaroslav Kratky and [fnu] Bavorak (CP officials)

3. "Vessels owned by CSPL include the following:

- P-3, P-19, P-21, P-20, P-14, P-15 -- vessels with 200 HP Diesel engines, home port in Prague harbor, service on the Prague - Usti nad Labem line.
- The Vltava (200 HP, Diesel engine), home port in Usti nad Labem, service on the Usti nad Labem - Hrensko line. The Smichov and Liben (200 HP, Diesel engines) were transferred in spring 1952 to service on the Oder River.
- Duchcov, Karlin, Lovosice and Litomerice (400 HP or more, Diesel engines) -- home port in Usti nad Labem, service on the Usti nad Labem - Magdeburg line. Also the Tabor, Blanik and Morava (520 HP, Diesel engines).

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as plentiful as water. One of the Communist propaganda items is the sad plight of little US children all over the country who don't get milk to drink. The dietician in the medical college in Shanghai in one of his lectures to the students said that in the US only the children of Wall Street bankers get milk to drink. The Voice should tell of our youth organizations - Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4-H Clubs, YMCA and YWCA. Detailed accounts of their activities would point up the difference between these and Communist organizations far more impressively than mere criticism of the latter. The Voice should quote letters to the big city dailies from ordinary citizens who disagree with certain actions of the government and are free to say so. Tell stories about that great institution, the Summer Vacation, where whole families can travel by auto, train, plane or bus to the other end of the country or just to the next state without first getting permission from the Police.

It is difficult for Americans to realize the scope of anti-US and pro-Russian propaganda and therefore quite understandable that there would be much floundering around before an effective antidote could be worked out. We tend to treat as a big joke Soviet claims that they invented radio and television and refrigerators and everything else that immediately affects the everyday life of the average Chinese, but that claim, by repetition in the press, over the radio and in the movies is taken seriously by many of the

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Factual, simple and objective broadcasts by the Voice of America that appeal to the innate common sense of the Chinese would go a long way toward cracking the Communist shell and reassuring them about the true identity and purpose of the US. To take the middle course and not lean too much toward one side or the other is characteristic of Chinese nature. Soviet philosophy is too foreign to ever become ingrained in the Chinese mentality and the Communists have already made the mistake of pushing the people too far.

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